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FOR THE SECRETARY.

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)  
SUBJECT: BRIEFING LEBANESE FOLLOWING YOUR UPCOMING MIDDLE  
EASTERN TRIP

1. I STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT IN PLANNING YOUR FORTH-COMING TRIP YOU INCLUDE PROVISIONS THAT ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON OR HIS DEPUTY, SAUNDERS, BREAK OFF FROM YOUR GROUP AT THE END OF THE TRIP AND PROCEED TO BEIRUT TO BRIEF THE LEBANESE AUTHORITIES ON WHAT HAS TRANSPRIRED.

2. DURING OUR RECENT FRACAS WITH FRANGIE, ONE OF THE POINTS FREQUENTLY MADE BY ALL ELEMENTS OF THE LEBANESE BODY POLITIC WAS THAT NO RESPONSIBLE AMERICAN OFFICIAL HAD VISITED BEIRUT SINCE YOUR STOP AT RAYAQ IN DECEMBER 1973. DEBRIEFING NEED NOT BE PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE, BUT A STOPOVER HERE BY A RESPONSIBLE OFFICER OF YOUR ENTOURAGE WOULD ALLAY ANY FUTURE PIQUE BY THE LEBANESE AND IS IN MY OPINION ESSENTIAL.

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